U.S. District Court District of Columbia (Washington, DC) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-02583-TSC

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF

JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Tanya S. Chutkan Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Date Filed: 08/27/2019 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.

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| Date Filed | # | Docket Text |
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| 08/27/2019 | 1 | COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090–6344655) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Summons U.S. Attorney, # 3 Summons U.S. Attorney General, # 4 Summons U.S. Department of Justice)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 08/27/2019) |
| 08/27/2019 | 2 | LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 08/27/2019) |
| 08/29/2019 | | Case assigned to Judge Tanya S. Chutkan. (zmc) (Entered: 08/29/2019) |
| 08/29/2019 | 3 | SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachment: # 1 Notice and Consent)(zmc) (Entered: 08/29/2019) |

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| 09/09/2019 | 4 | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/9/2019. (Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/9/2019.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/9/2019., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 9/9/2019 (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Orfanedes, Paul) (Entered: 09/09/2019) |
| 09/30/2019 | <u>5</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Chris Fedeli on behalf of JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Fedeli, Chris) (Entered: 09/30/2019) |
| 10/09/2019 | <u>6</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Christopher Charles Hair on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 10/09/2019) |
| 10/09/2019 | 7 | ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Hair, Christopher) (Entered: 10/09/2019) |
| 10/18/2019 | | MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of LCvR 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil procedure appear to be inapplicable. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties shall meet and confer and propose a schedule for proceeding in this matter. The schedule shall address the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request, the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff, whether a motion for an Open America stay is likely in this case, whether a Vaughn index will be required in this case, whether and when either party anticipates filing a dispositive motion, and any other pertinent issues. The parties shall file a joint status report that addresses these issues no later than 12/2/19. The joint status report shall be accompanied by a proposed order. Signed by Judge Tanya S. Chutkan on 10/18/19. (DJS) (Entered: 10/18/2019) |